

# PARTICLE-REMOVING MEDICAL DEVICE AND METHOD

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5           A particle-removing medical device includes an outer, hollow tube having a tube  
distal end and a porous braided structure having a distal part and a proximal part. Structure, housed  
within the tube and having a distal end positioned distally of the tube distal end, is used to move the  
braided structure from a contracted condition to an expanded condition by moving the distal ends of  
the tube and the structure towards one another. The braided structure is constructed to inhibit  
10 particles from moving completely through the braided structure when in the expanded condition.

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